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# Home & Garden

## Lawns can help the environment

It's Earth Week, so the next time you're out on the lawn, you may want to kiss the ground. That patch of green does a lot more than you may realize. In fact, a healthy lawn:

- Produces oxygen. A lawn measuring 50 feet by 50 feet creates enough oxygen to meet the breathing needs of a family of four.
- Reduces allergic reactions and cuts down on insect bites.
- Has a cooling effect. When street and sidewalk temperatures exceed 100F, the surface of the lawn remains a cool 75F.
- Increases your property value. A well-managed landscape can boost the selling

price of a home by as much as 15 per cent.

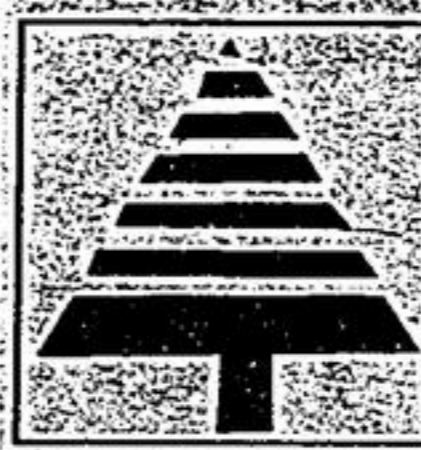
- Provides erosion control. A healthy root system and a thick, absorbent blanket of grass reduce run-off.
- Offers a place for family recreation and a refuge for fun and relaxation.

Here are some hints to help you get that perfect lawn:

1. Mow at the proper height for the type of turfgrass you have.
2. Water properly. Experts recommend watering heavily once or twice a week which helps grass develop a strong, deep root system to resist stress. Water in the morning so the grass can dry throughout the day. This helps prevent fungus infestations.
3. Keep insect damage under control. Inspect the lawn for pests often. Look out for brown patchy spots, or root systems so weak you can tug out the turfgrass easily.
4. Watch out for weeds. To keep crabgrass and other grassy weeds from wrecking your lawn, use a weed prevention product containing herbicide.

One simple springtime application prevents grassy weeds from coming up all summer. Because you apply only once, it's less expensive and time-consuming than battling weeds after they appear with post-emergent products which require many applications and don't always work. Team herbicide can be found in a variety of brand-name weed prevention products available at local garden and hardware stores.

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